## **Foreword**

Truck drivers, utility providers, deliverymen and salesmen. All of these occupations have one important thing in common: on-the-job driving. It's the No. 1 killer of workers in North Carolina and the United States.

This industry guide can help employers develop work practices that will eliminate fatal crashes on our roads. It can assist employers in developing a safe driving program and reminding employees of what to look for while driving for work.

In North Carolina, NCDOL inspectors enforce the federal Occupational Safety and Health Act through a state plan approved by the U.S. Department of Labor. The Occupational Safety and Health Division of the N.C. Department of Labor offers many educational programs to the public and produces publications, including this guide, to help inform people about their rights and responsibilities regarding occupational safety and health.

When looking through this guide, please remember the mission of the N.C. Department of Labor is greater than just to enforce regulations. An equally important goal is to help people find ways to create safe workplaces. This guide, like the many other educational materials produced by this department, can help. Reading and using *A Guide to Transportation Safety* will help you develop a driver safety program that will help save lives.

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